

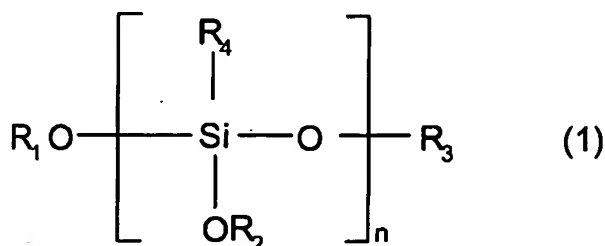
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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1-15. (Cancelled)

16. (Previously presented) A process for preparing a composite comprising a polyparaphenylene terephthalamide fiber and a siloxane polymer, which comprises:

coating or impregnating a polyparaphenylene terephthalamide fiber with a solution consisting of a solvent, a compound represented by the following formula (1):



wherein n represents an integer of 2 to 10; R₁, R₂, R₃ and R₄ may be each the same or different, and represent a hydrogen atom or an alkyl group of 1 to 4 carbon atoms; and R₂ and R₄ may be each the same or different in every repetition unit, and a catalyst for curing the compound represented by the formula (1), wherein the catalyst is an organic metal compound selected from the group consisting of a metal acid ester of titanium, a metal acid ester of zirconium, and an organic tin compound and, optionally, reaction water, and

curing the compound represented by the formula (1).

17. (Previously presented) A process for preparing a composite comprising a polyparaphenylene terephthalamide fiber and a siloxane polymer, which comprises:

coating or impregnating a polyparaphenylene terephthalamide fiber with a solution consisting of a solvent, a compound represented by the following formula (1):